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In re Patent Application of:

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For: JOINT PROSTHESIS MEMBERS AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

Sir:

This is a request for the filing of a Continuation application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of pending application Serial No. 09,029,121, filed June 1, 1998, by Jean CHIBRAC et al. entitled JOINT PROSTHESIS MEMBERS AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME. The prior application is hereby incorporated by reference.

Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed.

I hereby state that the attached papers are a copy of prior application Serial No. 09/021,121, filed June 1, 1998, without any new matter therein.

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Amend the specification by inserting at page 1, line 2, the paragraph:

--This is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/029,121, filed June 1, 1998--

This application includes 2 sheets(s) of drawings containing figures 1 through 8.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 based on French Application No. 95/10004, filed August 23, 1995, is claimed. The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in said prior application Serial No. 09/029,121, filed June 1, 1998.

The prior application was assigned to Jean CHIBRAC and Jean-Pierre GEMON and is recorded at Reel 9269, Frame 0915.

The power of attorney in the prior application, as originally filed, is to customer no. 2352, OSTROLENK, FABER, GERB & SOFFEN, LLP, 1180 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036-8403, and the members of the firm: Reg. No. 17,542; Samuel H. Weiner, Reg. No. 18,510; Jerome M. Berliner, Reg. No. 18,653; Robert C. Faber, Reg. No. 24,322; Edward A. Meilman, Reg. No. 24,735; Stanley H. Lieberstein, Reg. No. 22,400; Steven

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